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Newsletter #183:

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Happy holidays! My last newsletter was November 8 which officially qualifies me as a "newsletter slacker". The only excuse I have is that the auctions have been keeping me incredibly busy. I've been working with many of you on a regular basis and procuring some wonderful coins for your collections.

We are now stepping into 2022 and I never imagined that we would be going into our second full year of a pandemic. Covid, masking and social distancing have become a daily topic of conversation and permeate our news channels. We've been lucky enough to have some trade shows and/or conventions reappear but the shadow of doubt on whether it will actually occur is always lingering. The next show is the New York International which starts with auctions on January 9 and ends with the bourse January 13-16. I've received several phone calls from both dealers and collectors on whether to attend or if it will even happen. I can only say that at this point I think it will move forward unless the state of New York determines that the new variant, Omicron, is just too risky. Remember that proof of vaccine is mandatory at this event. There are no exceptions. I haven't seen anything requiring masks at the show but regardless I urge all of you that attend to wear one. This extra security is really the only defense we have against the virus. I am prepared to answer any of your questions should they come up. You can call me at 708-655-4836 or email at shanna@shannaschmidt.com should you have a particular question regarding the show. I will do my best to get you answers.

A departure from the norm, this newsletter is not going to focus on the upcoming auctions. Instead, I will be presenting my first *Carefully Curated Collection.* I'm excited to offer mainly new coins to my stock (there are a few older ones in there as well). I have no real schedule in which I will offer these mini-catalogs. It is a fixed price list so you simply need to get in touch if you are interested in buying. This is my way of giving customers and dedicated newsletter readers a sneak peek of what will be available. In the past 5 months I've done a lot of buying but very little listing of the material. Now is your chance to "get in before the crowds".

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A short note about the New York International: I will be attending the Triton auction live on the floor so if you would like me to view any coins for you then please let me know prior to January 9. I am available for any of the auctions that are at the New York show. The Stacks Bowers Auction will have a sale on January 16 of the Salton Collection. I urge you to check out the lots. The Salton Collection is actually the old numismatic family of Felix Schlessinger who unfortunately perished under Hitler's regime. Many of the lots have interesting pedigrees, some going back many years. Künker and Stacks Bowers will hold several auctions over the next months/years (?) selling the collection. We just finished a wonderful auction of literature from the Salton library (sold with a joint cooperation with Kolbe & Fanning). The coins will be the next component.

Please have a safe, happy and healthy holiday season. I wish you a "Guten Rutsch" into 2022!

Shanna Schmidt

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